

December 15, 2016

Mr. Peter Doyle, Chief AM Branch FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION 445 12TH. St. S. W. Washington, D. C. 20554

Re: 1800B3-TSN In Support of keeping on the air WI3XSO-AM (synchronous booster of WAPA RADIO)

Dear Mr. Doyle:

As major of the city of Aguadilla, Puerto Rico for 20 years and reelected for a 6th term I respectfully request the FCC to maintain on the air the station WI3XSO-AM 1260 Khz., Aguadilla, P.R. I've listened on the air that the FCC has cancelled the license of this station effective May 7, 2017.

The antenna site of WI3XSO-AM is located at Palmar Ward, Aguadilla, and for 14 consecutive years it has served the public interest of the people of Aguadilla and surrounding municipalities. This synchronous booster of WAPA RADIO has maintained the people of the Northwest of the Island informed, and has served as an important communication link between our population and the state government.

Since WAPA-AM has been not a music station, but an all news/talk station the people of Aguadilla and surrounding areas communicate their problems thru the airwaves of WAPA, an effective way for the municipal and state government to keep in touch with the citizens. In emergencies such as floods and hurricanes, WI3XSO has been on the air even when other stations couldn't stay on the air. WI3XSO keeps the people of Aguadilla and surrounding municipalities well informed.

Since I have to travel weekly to San Juan and other municipalities on the West of the Island, I have listened to the synchronous station system WAPA has at Arecibo, Mayaguez, and Aguadilla and the signal keeps strong all the way with an excellent sound quality.

The people of Aguadilla have a tradition of tuning WAPA (WI3XSO) for listening to news and information so I believe it would not be in the best public interest to deprive the people of Aguadilla and the West/Northwest of the Island of the synchronous boosters of WAPA. I strongly support to grant them a permanent license to operate instead of signing them off.

Very truly yours,

Carlos Méndez

Aguadilla City Major